IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF NEBRASKA

RALPH METSCHKE,)	
Plaintiff,)	8:09CV109
vs.)	ORDER
NATIONAL DEBT NETWORK, LP,)	
Defendant.)	

This matter is before the court sua sponte and pursuant to <u>NECivR 41.2</u>, which states in pertinent part: "At any time, a case not being prosecuted with reasonable diligence may be dismissed for lack of prosecution." Further, <u>Fed. R. Civ. P. 4(m)</u> establishes a 120-day time limit for service of process on the defendant in a civil case, absent a showing of good cause.

In this case the complaint was filed on March 25, 2009. **See Filing No. 1**. Accordingly, the deadline for service of process expired **on or about July 27, 2009**. There is no proof of service of process on the defendant, however summons was issued on March 26, 2009. **See Filing No. 4**. Therefore, the plaintiff must make a showing of good cause for the failure of timely service or the action must be dismissed. Upon consideration,

IT IS ORDERED:

The plaintiff shall show cause why this case should not be dismissed for failure to prosecute or file the proof of service electronically on or before the close of business on September 25, 2009.

Dated this 17th day of September, 2009.

BY THE COURT:

s/Thomas D. Thalken United States Magistrate Judge